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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 1, line 1, please change the title to -- ~~Methods~~ for Screening Catalysts in a Parallel Fixed-Bed Reactor -- .

At page 1, line 2, please insert the following paragraph:

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